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AUSA honors DFAS employee

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A DFAS employee was recognized by the Association of the United States Army for her service and contributions at its national convention in Washington, D.C.

Cynthia L. Cox, assistant deputy director for Central Disbursing's Analysis and Reconciliation Division, received an Army Civilian of the Year Award from Gen. Thomas A. Schwartz at the AUSA 2000 National Convention. Former DFAS-Indy director Mike Dugan nominated her.

Cox leads 79 accountants and accounting technicians, ensuring 2.7 million monthly payments totaling \$3.3 billion in net disbursements are accounted for properly.

Through her efforts, many disbursing problems were eliminated, costs reduced and procedures streamlined.

According to Schwartz, soldiers aren't soldiers without civilians.

"All of us have a role in the defense of this country. If we put our people first, then the mission will follow. This is what those being recognized did within their organizations. They challenged and took care of those who they were responsible for, and mission became streamlined, efficient and effective."

Cox is the first DFAS employee to be recognized by AUSA at a national convention.

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